

AUDIT COMMITTEE - 6TH MARCH 2013

SUBJECT: INFORMATION MANAGEMENT REVIEW FEEDBACK

REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Wales Audit Office, as part of their programme of works for the year 2012/13, has carried out a review of Information Management. This report summarises the conclusions of the Regulator's review and also makes recommendations for future monitoring of delivery of any proposals for improvement flowing from the review.
- 1.2 Members have a critical role to play in evaluating Regulator reviews and in particular understanding what difference such reviews make to improvement of services for our citizens. They also have a clear role in monitoring progress in achieving report recommendations from the wide range of reviews undertaken.

2. SUMMARY

2.1 The summary of the findings can be found on Page 4 of the report, attached as Appendix 1, this includes its findings on page 5. The report refers to the Security Standard ISO27001 and draws on good practice and policies contained in the Data Protection Act and Freedom of Information Act.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

3.1 This report references the Council's ICT Strategy which contains guidance on these matters.

4. THE REPORT

4.1 The Director believes the Regulator's proposals and any subsequently agreed Action Plan should be monitored by the following route (**please tick**).

	For Decision	For Monitoring	Final Sign Off On Completion
Corporate Management Team (CMT)			
Cabinet			
Policy and Resources Scrutiny		✓	
Audit Committee			✓
Council			
Responsible Officer Only	Phil Evans		

5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Local Government Measure defines fairness and access as one of the criteria that constitutes 'improvement' within the Wales programme for Improvement 2009.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The recommendations/actions contained within the report will be covered by existing budgets.

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 This report contains significant training and awareness implications for staff employed by the authority.

8. CONSULTATIONS

8.1 There are no consultees that have not been included in the overall report.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 It is recommended that Audit Committee approve the programme of monitoring detailed in paragraph 4.1 of this report.

10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 To ensure Regulator reviews are appropriately managed and monitored across the Authority.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Local Government Measure 2009, Wales Programme for Improvement 2010.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Information Management Review (report from the Wales Audit Office)